

GERMAN PLOT IN COSTA RICA

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, May 21.—A far-reaching plot to overthrow the government of Costa Rica, of which Pres. F. Tinoco is the head, has been uncovered by the authorities. The ex-president, Alfredo Gonzalez, who was deposed last January, other officials of the former government and Germans resident here and in the United States are alleged to be implicated. A German firm in New York is declared to have furnished \$100,000 for the organization of a revolutionary movement.

The parents and sisters of Gonzalez, who were granted permission to leave the country, took refuge in the Americas, leaving where they still are, in spite of the fact that their safety has been guaranteed.

Recently Germans resident here have been showing marked activity. Three wireless stations have been discovered at Heredia, the home city of Gonzalez, one of the plants, connected with the

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LOWELL, MONDAY, MAY 21, 1917
A. G. POLLARD CO.
THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

RARE ECONOMIES, MARKET PRICES CONSIDERED,
ARE OFFERED AT THIS SALE OF
Manufacturers' Seconds
Sheets and
Pillow Cases

The past three months' accumulations of the largest sheet and pillow case manufacturers in the United States, consisting of Elmdale, Harvard Mills, Oakland Mills, Pioneer, Pepperell, "Dwight-Anchor" and Fruit of the Loom. The lot contains about 2400 sheets and over 3000 Pillow Cases, in plain and hemstitched, at prices at least 1-3 less regular value.

Sheets

One lot Elmdale sheets, size 81x90, seamless, regularly made, value in today's market 88c.
Sale Price, 59c Each
One lot in the following sizes, 63x90, 72x90, and some 81x90, mostly Harvard Mills and Pepperell, value 98c. Sale price..... 69c Each
One lot, hemstitched, in sizes for single, three-quarter and full size beds, all splendid grades of cotton, values up to \$1.29. Sale price..... 89c Each
One small lot, extra large size (90x108), hemstitched, mostly "Dwight Anchor" and Fruit of the Loom, value \$1.59. Sale price..... 98c Each

Pillow Cases

One lot, in size to fit ordinary pillows, good, firm grades of cotton, values 15c and 17c. Sale price 12 1/2c Each
One lot, plain and hemstitched, extra quality cotton, values up to 27c. Sale price..... 19c Each
One lot, regular size, corded border (Heroic), same goods as we have been selling for 22c.
Sale Price, 15c Each
The imperfections are very slight and the first day's selling means about ninety per cent. (90 per cent.) gone. Be on hand early; please don't depend on the telephone.

Palmer Street

End Centre Aisle

For Wraps and Dresses

Materials of the most popular weaves are offered at considerably below the usual prices.

Silk Finished Corduroy

Splendid colors for skirts, coats and children's clothes; also for the New Bath Wraps, \$1.25 quality..... Only 69c a Yard
300 yards white corduroy, with a remarkable finish. Remnants in good lengths of the \$1.25 grades..... Only 59c a Yard

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Khaki Cloth

Used for the military-like fashions. We've 2 cases of the most desirable shades of army and olive drabs. The 30c quality..... At 25c a Yard

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CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS CLOSE OF MISSION

The mission for the men of St. Peter's church, which was conducted in both the upper and lower church during the past week, was brought to a close last evening with special services at 7:30 o'clock. Again the attendance was so large that the upper and lower churches were used. The preacher in the upper church was Rev. Fr. McPherson, O.M.I., while the sermon in the lower church was given by Rev. Fr. Gallagher, O.M.I. The next of the parish received communion at the same mass.

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ARMY SURGEONS AT
ARMORY TONIGHT

Army surgeons will be at the armory in Westford street tonight to examine 26 or more recruits who have applied for enlistment in Lowell crack artillery outfit, Battery B.

All men should report promptly at Battery B headquarters, and they will be passed by the guards at the door by stating why they are to be examined for enrollment.

Battery B is an all Lowell outfit and it goes into the field very soon with prospects of having an enjoyable tour of duty, ultimately being selected for service at the front in France or Belgium.

The Lowell battery is planning to give its friends a big meeting before going into service, and perhaps a vaudeville show at Keith's. The outfit is extremely alive and during the time it is to remain in Lowell it intends to make the most of its opportunities.

Young men who would like to go into the highest branch of the service—field artillery—should enlist at once in Battery B. This gives the applicant the choice of service. If he is drafted he will go into whatever unit the government orders, and wherever it is destined to send him, so it behoves him to get into this Lowell organization.

FORMER LOWELL PRIEST HAS ANNIVERSARY

BEVERLY, May 21.—Rev. John A. Degan, pastor of St. Mary's Star of the Sea church, celebrated Sunday the fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. The program began at 11 o'clock with a high mass at which Rev. W. A. Keating of Hopkinton, a near friend of Fr. Degan, delivered the sermon.

After the mass, Fr. Degan delivered an address, followed by greetings by Herbert Macdonald, after which Edward Haffett presented a silver chalice.

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LIBERTY LOAN

A Liberty Loan Bond is a Mortgage on the United States—Bond is Non-Taxable.

The Sun has had several inquiries relative to the war bonds—the Liberty loan of 1917—and answers to such queries are contained in the following items supplied by the Liberty loan public bureau:

A liberty loan bond is a solemn promise of the United States to pay at maturity the amount of the bond to the holder thereof, and to pay interest semi-annually each year from the date of the issuance of the bond until it is fully and finally paid. The liberty loan bond is secured by the faith and honor of the United States, backed by all of the resources of the nation and the American people. A liberty loan bond is a mortgage on all the resources and taxing powers of the government and all of the resources of the American people.

There are two kinds of liberty loan bonds. Bearer bonds are to be issued in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500, and \$1000. These bearer bonds, which are made payable to bearer, have interest coupons attached which are detached by the holder when the interest installments they represent are due, and can be cashed at any bank the same as a United States treasury note.

Registered bonds are to be issued, which are registered as to both principal and interest, in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1000, \$5000, \$10,000, \$50,000, and \$100,000; checks for the amount of interest due will be mailed on demand to the holders of these registered bonds.

Liberty loan bonds of the first issue of \$2,000,000,000 are to bear date of June 15, 1917, and to run for thirty years, except that the government reserves the right to redeem them fifteen years after date. If this right is not exercised by the government fifteen

years from date, the bonds will run the full thirty years.

These bonds bear interest at 3 1/2 per cent per annum, and the interest payable semi-annually on the tenth day of December and the tenth day of June in each year.

One especial advantage no other bond, national, state, municipal or corporate, has is that if the United States during the continuance of this war shall issue bonds, the holders of these bonds have the right to exchange their liberty bonds for bonds bearing the higher rate of interest, dollar for dollar.

They are non-taxable. If your city, county, and state taxes are three mills on the dollar, a not unusual tax, these bonds are equivalent to ordinary corporate bonds or other investments bearing 6% per cent.

In addition, no federal tax which war conditions may later make necessary will affect these bonds. The only tax these bonds are subject to is the inheritance tax which applies to all property of all kinds whatsoever.

PARIS, May 21.—French torpedo boats had an encounter early yesterday morning with a German battle line, in which one of the French war vessels suffered some damage, though all returned to port. An official statement issued yesterday, reports the incident as follows:

"A patrol of four French torpedo boats about 1,000 feet this morning encountered a flotilla of German destroyers moving toward port. After a brief engagement the enemy flotilla returned full speed in the direction of its base, one-four torpedo boats returning, one of them suffering some damage."

Berlin Report of Naval Battle

BERLIN, May 21, via London.—An engagement between German and French torpedo boats off the coast of Flanders is reported in an official announcement from the admiralty. The announcement says:

"On the morning of the 29th, off the coast of Flanders, a short while ago, an engagement took place between German and French torpedo boats. The enemy boats were repeatedly hit by our artillery, and our vessels returned without losses or damage."

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FUNERAL NOTICES

CORRIGAN—The funeral of the late Mrs. Rosina Corrigan will take place on Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock at her late home, 3 Thompson court, on Nottingham street. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Anthony's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

FOSTER—The funeral services of Mrs. Enoch W. Foster took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at her home in South Lewisham. Rev. Sarah A. Dixon officiated. Appropriate selections were sung by Mrs. F. L. Roberts of Lowell. The bearers were Messrs. F. H. Farmer, William T. Lewis, F. L. Carter and George Simpson. Burial was in the T. W. Foster's cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers H. H. McDonald & Sons.

DAIGLE—The funeral of Mrs. Anastasia Daigle will take place tomorrow morning from the home in Broadway, Dracut. Solemn high mass of requiem at St. Louis' church at 8:30 o'clock. Burial in St. Joseph's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker Napoleon Lindner.

KNIGHT—The funeral of the late Mrs. Deacon will take place Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons. High mass will be sung in St. Peter's church. Time to be announced later. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

DOUGHERTY—The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. O'Loouhane will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 68 Clark street. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

RAMOS—The funeral of the late Lucy Ramos will take place on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock from her home, 43 Emery street. Services will be held in St. Peter's church at 3:30 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery, under charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

SAVARD—The funeral of Jean Baptiste Savard will take place Tuesday morning from his home, 111 Merrimack street. Solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at 7 o'clock at Notre Dame de Lourdes church. The burial in St. Joseph's cemetery will be in charge of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

STUPREYAN—Died in this city, May 13th at his home, 19 Robbins street, John F. Stupreyan, aged 51. Interment in Lowell cemetery. Funeral services will be held in St. Peter's church at 2 o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

FLING—The funeral services of Mrs. Annie E. Fling were held at her home, 113 Fourth avenue, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Solemn high mass was conducted by Rev. Arthur G. Lyon, pastor of the "Faithful" Congregational church. The bearers were Messrs. George E. McLean, Alonso E. Kidder, Frank W. Gant and Burton Wright. Burial was in the family lot in the North cemetery, where the committed prayers were read by Rev. Fr. McDonnell.

LELAND—The funeral services of Raymond E. Leland were held Saturday afternoon at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin A. Leland, 27 Old Union road. The services were conducted by Rev. Arthur G. Lyon, pastor of the Pawtucket Congregational church. The burial in St. Joseph's cemetery was in the family lot in Woodbine cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Joseph Albert.

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CLAYTON—The funeral of Alfred Clayton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clayton, was held in the home of his parents, who are deceased. Saturday afternoon, and owing to the cause of death (diphtheria) was strictly private. Burial was in the Edison cemetery, where Rev. Walter Whitney read the committal service. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker George M. Eastman.

SMITH—The funeral of Mrs. Alice Smith was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her home, 120 Merrimack street, and proceeded to the Sacred Heart church, where services were held. Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I., officiated. The bearers were Michael J. McLean, William H. Irwin, George John and Henry Smith and Harry Lindell. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committed prayers were recited by Rev. Fr. Fletcher. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Young & Blake.

REILLY—The funeral of Mrs. Anne Reilly took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her home, 1415 Gorham street, at 26 Clinton street. At 2 o'clock services were conducted at the Sacred Heart church, Rev. Henry Burns, O.M.I., officiating. Among the floral offerings were: Large pillow inscribed "Wife," from the husband; pillow inscribed "Daughter" from the father and mother; John J. and Mary Hayden, cross base inscribed "Sister" from the brothers and sisters; and pieces from Mr. and Mrs. James Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Albany, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lynch, George E. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bell, Jr. and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stewart and family, Mr. and Mrs. George McWilliams, The burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Henry Burns, O.M.I., read the final prayers. There was a profusion of beautiful offerings of floral pieces among which were wreaths and ribbons marked "Good Bye" Annie, from the husband; pillow with the name "Mother," the family; pillow inscribed "Mother" Mr. and Mrs. George McWilliams, and pieces from Mrs. Mary Harrington and family, Merrimack mills, the Moran family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Hare of North Billerica, Frank J. McCullough, Mrs. Julia Kieran, Miss Catherine Kieran, Miss Mary Tuohy, Miss Rose

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WILSON WANTS NO FREMONT

President Wilson has confounded his critics by ordering an army to France under General Pershing. That will bring the Stars and Stripes to the battle line in France sooner than was expected. It will be an inspiration to the soldiers of the Allies who have been fighting in a terrible battle during the past two months. The Germans are being driven back and the desirable thing to do is to keep them going until they are driven from the soil of France. Then the cry will be, "On to Berlin."

The Allies will never perpetrate the ruthless destruction on conquered territory so vengefully carried out by the Germans in their retreat; but when the time comes, they will bring home to Germany what her special brand of war means. The 40,000 American soldiers who are to go to France forthwith are the flower of our army and they will be followed by larger units just as soon as these can be got ready.

In this connection President Wilson made a statement explaining why he did not accept the provision of the law giving him the authority to permit Col. Roosevelt raise a volunteer force. It is a statement which well sustains his position and which every sensible citizen must admit is absolutely correct. While praising Col. Roosevelt for gallantry, vigor and enthusiasm, he holds that to raise a volunteer force at a time a draft for the entire country was called for, would cause confusion that might bring serious consequences. "The business now in hand," said the president, "is an dramatic, practical and of scientific definiteness and precision. I shall act with regard to it at every step and in every particular under expert and professional advice from both sides of the water." That advice sought and obtained by President Wilson has been against the form of sideshow proposed by Col. Roosevelt.

We have already expressed our views in these columns in reference to the Roosevelt proposition. It might be all right if Roosevelt were a trained soldier instead of an ex-president who thinks he is competent to command troops. He could not be held to military discipline and owing to his pronouncement, his presence on the battlefields of France would be embarrassing even to the commanders of the Allied armies. They would feel it a rather delicate matter to order Roosevelt to do things to which he might object. There is no time to consult in such cases. There is no need to consult or explain why an order is given to a subordinate. But Roosevelt would have to get an explanation with every order. Such a man would hamper the free action of the troops. He would do harm instead of good.

President Wilson is to be congratulated upon turning down the Roosevelt proposition in a manner that should silence criticism. The degree of finesse displayed by the president in the discharge of his duty in this matter, is characteristic of the man; but, nevertheless, it will be met with harsh and vehement criticism, not only by Roosevelt himself, but by every diminutive Lord Northcliffe, such as the editor of the Boston Herald, who while charging incompetency of certain cabinet members, has been shouting also in favor of putting Col. Roosevelt at the head of an expeditionary force in France.

Fortunately, President Wilson is pursuing a more reliable policy, which the following paragraph from his statement relative to Roosevelt will show:

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Seen and Heard

"The moving finger writes; and having writ,
Moves on: Nor all your piety nor wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,
Nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

Saugus Wise Guy

Laziness is often the mother of invention, and it takes a Saugus man to prove it. It seems that wife had several rugs to be cleaned during her absence. Beating rugs is hard work and so burly fastened them to the sides of his motor truck and drove the same to the river for several hours. Afterwards he dried them on the sand. The wife was surprised and pleased at the appearance of the rugs. Miss Francis' resident just smiled and said nothing.

Lecture on Journalism

"See here," snapped the city editor to the cub reporter, "you've crammed this ordinary notice full of flowered compliment!"

"I thought—"

"This man didn't die in fall, did he?"

"No sir."

"He was not killed while trying to rob a safe?"

"No sir."

"And he wasn't shot down in a running battle with the police?"

"No sir."

"Well, when a citizen dies a natural death in bed, the public takes it for granted that he had his good points."—Exchange

A Chip on His Shoulder

In a town adjoining Brockton a patriotic citizen has raised a handsome new flag. On Patriot's day he spent most of the forenoon adjusting the flag on the staff of the very highest point of the stable. While he was at work there strolled by a neighbor a foreign birth, who eyed the flag curiously and made some remarks in an effort to his companion.

"What do you want to put it up there for?" he called to the patriotic owner.

"The citizen looked down belligerently at his neighbor and replied: "Well, by gory, the wind is the only thing that can whip it."—Brockton Enterprise.

To Much Musical Ginger

This is the day of "pop" in orchestra work and it is up to the trap drummer to instill the ginger. While a BBC "cavalcade" staff is looking for it too, the trap drummer at a recent dance party in West Hanover told about by the Rockland Independent. He carried more accessories than a

man's head.

Heads Too Many Allies

Anyone with even the symptoms of patriotism will be keenly alive to the news which took Arthur J. Haslett, carriage builder, before the Hartland court in New York the other day, accused of making an effort to recruit more honor within his identity than

say "I'm glad to see you," then to those who still are here.

Say "I'm glad to see you," which is natural to the gay.

More than simply say "I'm glad to see you," words are cheap, but deeds are dear;

And men will say it back to you and make their meaning clear.

—Edmund Vance Cooke.

TOO MUCH HOT AIR AT FLAG RAISING

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To those who can afford it, the purchase of a Liberty bond is a patriotic duty. The appeal is made to the people. The response will indicate to what extent the people are ready to support the government in the prosecution of the war. The conditions under which the bonds can be secured are made plain to everybody through the press. The amount will be required next month and when the time comes, if the \$20,000,000 required is not subscribed, the government will be placed in a most embarrassing light before the world. Banks are offering easy terms for the issuance of these bonds and some corporations are similarly aiding their employees to secure the bonds. Money can be well invested in these bonds. Few banks pay more than 3½ per cent and the security offered is the United States government and all its resources, that which there is none better. The mill workers who can invest \$50, \$100, \$200 or \$500 in a Liberty bond will be making a good investment and at the same time aiding the government.

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Dr. Hewson's Dental Treatment

guarantees you good teeth and good teeth make for good health, happiness and prosperity. Consciousness of good teeth makes your mouth smile—not only that—but also makes your liver laugh and all the internal

organs play pleasantly together. No matter how bad the state of neglect your teeth are in, it is possible to bring them back to the highest standard of perfection. Incurable members are removed and replaced by artificial substitutes, that you can eat anything and smile handsomely. Service is painless and inexpensive.

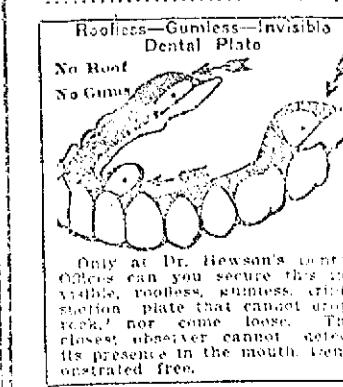
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RED LLOYD GEORGE CALLS ALL PARTIES TO CONVENTION

Generals Haig and Petain are again pushing ahead with their offensive in northern France, and today both report new gains.

After driving into the Hindenburg line along a mile front yesterday morning in the sector northwest of Baillecourt the British resumed their attack last evening and captured a support trench behind the position just taken.

Force Germans to Give Ground

The armament of the British hold on this section of the Hindenburg line, seriously threatening the Chemin des Dames switch protecting Douai. Attacked by the tailing of the German attacks, Gen. Haig is well maintaining his initiative and bit by bit forcing the Germans to give ground.

Not only did the British prove themselves able to hold their gains of the morning against heavy counter attack but to resume their offensive the same day and push further ahead maintaining their second advance also against renewed counter attacks.

French Resume Advance

The French for their part in the great battle have resumed their advance in the Champagne. Having foiled the crown prince's desperate and costly effort to regain control of the Chemin des Dames plateau on the Aisne front, Gen. Petain turned to the Champagne sector ad struck northward on the Moronvilliers heights.

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The statement says: "On the Chemin des Dames the artilleries fought and continued during the night in the region northwest of Bray-en-Laonnois and on the front between Ceray and Ruitz.

"There were brief but violent artillery actions between Miette and the Aisne and northwest of Ilethens. In the region of Chevres we made progress and took the town.

"In the Champagne yesterday evening we carried out in two sectors of the heights near Moronvilliers an operation which resulted in an important and brilliant success. Our troops captured several lines of German trenches on the slopes north of Carrières and Cagny and at Tœufles. Furthermore, all the important observation points in this region are now in our hands. German counter attacks were taken under our fire and thrown back with heavy losses.

We took about 800 prisoners in these actions. The enemy shelters were found to have been blown to pieces and to be piled high with dead."

Success for Italians

ROME, May 21, via London, 5:55 p.m.—Italian troops yesterday took a hill between Pallanza and Biatoro in their offensive on the Vado, says the official statement issued today by the Italian war department.

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HEINZE LOSES SUIT FOR \$15,000,000

BLAME RAILROADS FOR COAL SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Arthur P. Heinze, representing the Heinze copper interests, by a supreme court decision today, lost proceedings for \$15,000,000 treble damages under the Sherman anti-trust law against the Amalgamated Copper Co., the Levittown interests, William Rockefellers, and others, charged with attempted monopoly of the Montana copper industry. The court sustained dismissal of the suit.

The court in its opinion by Justice Brandeis affirmed dismissal of the suit by New York courts which held that as more stockholders of the United Copper Securities Co., controlled by the alleged "opper trust," the Heinze interests could not sue for alleged injury to the securities company.

The court in its opinion in 1902 the Amalgamated Co., the Anaconda Copper Co., Adolphus, Leonard, Walter and Albert Lewisohn, William Rockefellers, the late H. H. Rogers, John D. Ryan and James Stillman with Marcus Daly, tried a conspiracy to attack the United Copper and secure a monopoly of Montana copper interests.

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This season, for Impure Blood, Weakness, Nervousness, Brain-Fag. In order to comprise the best course of treatment, and to secure the best results, should read as follows:

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It is therefore wise and economical to get these two medicines from your druggist today. The two will be together often give a four-fold benefit.

TO COMPEL RAILROADS TO FURNISH COAL CARS

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The interstate commerce commission, the supreme court decided today, has power to compel railroads to furnish a reasonably adequate supply of coal cars to handle "normal and seasonal" demands for interstate commerce originating at mines along their lines, and to award reparation to shippers for failure to supply such cars.

AM. LEAGUE TO BUY LIBERTY BONDS

We have to bear it over and over again now. "The Father of His Country" acknowledged with satire, yet profound veracity, the chopping down of the cherry tree.

While we have nobly either two's to chop down, you have nobly planted in the soil a strong tooth which we have happily matured and sustained. The planted words we speak in our daily announcements are pleasant heralds of our responsibilities and obligations to the public, which we faithfully and tenaciously meet strongly entrenched in truth.

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GERMAN PLOT IN COSTA RICA

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, May 21.—A far-reaching plot to overthrow the government of Costa Rica, of which Pres. F. Tinoco is the head, has been uncovered by the authorities. The ex-president, Alfredo Gonzalez, who was deposed last January, other officials of the former government and Germans resident here and in the United States are alleged to be implicated. A German firm in New York is declared to have furnished \$100,000 for the organization of a revolutionary movement.

The parents and sisters of Gonzalez, who were granted permission to leave the country, took refuge in the American legation, where they still are, in spite of the fact that their safety has been guaranteed.

Recently Germans resident here have been showing marked activity. Wireless stations have been discovered at Heredia, the home city of Gonzalez, one of the plants connected with the

CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS CLOSE OF MISSION

The mission for the men of St. Peter's church, which was conducted in both the upper and lower church during the past week, was brought to a close last evening with special services at 7:35 o'clock. Again the attendance was so large that the upper and lower churches were used. The preacher in the upper church was Rev. Fr. McDermott, O.M.I., while the sermon in the lower church was given by Rev. Fr. Gallagher, O.M.I. The men of the parish received communion at the early masses.

The parish mass was celebrated by Rev. P. L. Crayton, while the sermon was given by Rev. Fr. Fox, O.M.I. A meeting of the Propagation of the Faith will be held after the May devotions on the 24th.

Special precautions have been taken with respect to German residents and research is being made for additional wireless stations, as well as reported accumulations of无线电台. The entire activities are made a particular effort to find German espionage bases.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

The United States civil service commission announces competitive examinations as follows:

Junior chemist, salary, \$1200 to \$1460 per annum; mechanical draftsman (male), salary, \$1320 per annum; superintendent of high explosive acid plant (male), salary, \$1500 to \$1800 per annum.

June 3: Hull draftsman (male), salary, \$1500 per annum.

June 6: Temporary copyist draftsman (male), salary, \$18 per diem.

June 12: Sub-inspector, aeronautical engines (male), salary, \$4.15 per diem; assistant shop superintendent (tool designer, etc., male), salary, \$4 per diem; assistant chemical engineer (petroleum, male), salary, \$1800 to \$2100 per annum.

The members of the Third Order of

St. Francis and of the junior branch of the Children of Mary sodality received their monthly communion at the 7:30 o'clock mass at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. William McAlley, O.M.I., while the sermon was celebrated by Rev. P. J. Hamersley, O.M.I., while the sermon was given by Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I.

Next Sunday at the 7:30 o'clock mass the children of the parish will receive their first communion and in the evening at 6:30 o'clock the May procession will be participated in by the orientating deacon, altar boys and members of the Immaculate Conception, both branches of the Children of Mary and the first communicants.

May devotions will be held every evening at 7:30 o'clock, excepting Saturday.

Yesterday was first communion day at the Sacred Heart church and 160 boys and girls of the parish received communion at the 5:30 mass, which was celebrated by Rev. Henry Burns, O.M.I., who was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I.

At the close of the mass a children's breakfast in the school hall. The committee in charge being as follows: Mrs. M. Doherty, Mrs. Eugene Sullivan, Mrs. P. Bourne, Mrs. B. McFadden, Mrs. James Sheehan, Mrs. Thomas Sheehan, Mrs. Hans Buckley, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Mary Purcell, Mrs. Olson, Mrs. Mary McDonald, Mrs. John McCarty, Mrs. James Flynn, Mrs. James Keenan.

The high mass yesterday at 11 o'clock was sung by Rev. Robert McCoy, O.M.I., and the celebrant was Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O.M.I. The members of the Holy Angels sodality received communion at the 8:30 o'clock mass.

Last evening at 6 o'clock the annual May procession was held in the church, participated in by the first communicants and the members of the Holy Angels sodality.

Rev. J. F. Lynch was the celebrant of the parish mass at St. Michael's church yesterday, while the sermon was given by Rev. Francis J. Mullen. The usual May devotions will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at 7:30 o'clock.

At St. Columba's church yesterday the children of the parish received communion at the 8:30 o'clock mass, which was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. P. J. Hally, and the high mass was sung by Rev. T. W. Buckley. May devotions will be held every evening during the week at 7:15 o'clock.

Rev. William H. O'Connell was the celebrant of the high mass at St. Margaret's church yesterday and the pastor, Rev. C. J. Gallaher, celebrated the early masses of the morning.

Rev. Denis A. Sullivan, O.M.I., and Rev. William P. Hiley, O.M.I., opened a two weeks' mission in St. Bridget's church, Lexington, yesterday.

Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., conducted a week's mission in the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Manchester, N. H.

Rev. John M. O'Brien, O.M.I., is conducting a fortnight's mission in St. Anne's church, Manchester, N. H. He will be assisted by Rev. William J. Stanton, O.M.I.

Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O.M.I., is preaching a two weeks' mission in St. John the Baptist church, at Highwood, Conn., a suburb of New Haven.

Rev. Eugene A. Dorgan, O.M.I., is giving a week's retreat to the women of St. Eulalia's parish, South Boston.

REPORT OF DEATHS

Report of Deaths for the Week Ending May 19

May 19: William Farnham, 91, heart disease; Mary Burns, 1, h. pat. foramen ovale; Catherine Sears, 75, mit. regurgitation; Ada M. McGaughy, 6, m. rickets; Annie M. Haines, 61, obstruction of bile duct; Otto Haindorff, 3 m. ac. gastro-enteritis; Atanassias Syriopoulos, 24, diphtheria; John L. Sullivan, 22, pulm. tuberculosis; James F. Hickey, 1, laryn. diphtheria; Vincent Paczasa, 40, heart disease; Mary Hill, 61, cer. hemorrhage; Bridget Cummings, 41, heart disease; Francis Waters, 51, lob. pneumonia; Evonne Bedard, 5, chr. pur. otitis; Green, 8 h. prem. birth; Amelie Andrenopolis, 35, pulm. tuberculosis; Alfred Gosselin, 47, cer. hemorrhage; Vassilia Sarakas, 11 m. broncho-pneumonia; Irene Mulligan, 2, ep. cer. spin. meningitis; Marie E. Laurent, 51, erysipelas; Robert Murray, 37, chr. nephritis; Alexander J. Kennedy, 35, heart disease; Robert Leatham, 91, cer. myocarditis; Michael Knight, 53, chr. endocarditis; Andre Beardon, 55, broncho-pneumonia; Horace Fournier, 52, chr. endocarditis; Marie P. S. Ledoux, 2 d, con. diphtheria; Clarissa S. Morton, 17, appendicitis; Thomas Smith, 33, broncho-pneumonia; Alice M. Wright, 51, pulm. tuberculosis; Maria Teneit, 2, gastro-enteritis; William M. Brennan, 17, diphtheria of heart; Alice Smith, 73, cer. hemorrhage; Mary Thieriot, 63, cer. hemorrhage; Daniel Ericson, 61, arterio-sclerosis; Lydia Flood, 72, arterio sclerosis.

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The past three months' accumulations of the largest sheet and pillow case manufacturers in the United States, consisting of Elmdale, Harvard Mills, Oakland Mills, Pioneer, Pepperell, "Dwight" and "Fruit of the Loom." The lot contains about 2400 sheets and over 3000 Pillow Cases, in plain and hemstitched, at prices at least 1-3 less regular value.

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One lot Elmdale sheets, size 81x90, seamless, regularly made, value in today's market \$20.

Sale Price, 59c Each

One lot in the following sizes, 63x90, 72x90, and some 81x90, mostly Harvard Mills and Pepperell, value 98c. Sale price..... 69c Each

One lot, hemstitched, in sizes for single, three-quarter and full size beds, all splendid grades of cotton, values up to \$1.20. Sale price..... 89c Each

One small lot, extra large size (90x108), hemstitched, mostly "Dwight Anchor" and "Fruit of the Loom," value \$1.50. Sale price..... 98c Each

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One lot, in size to fit ordinary pillows, good, firm grades of cotton, values 15c and 17c. Sale price 12½c Each

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One lot, regular size, corded border (Hercie), same goods as we have been selling for 22c. Sale Price, 15c Each

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ARMY SURGEONS AT ARMORY TONIGHT

Army surgeons will be at the state armory in Westford street tonight to examine 20 or more recruits who have applied for enlistment in Lowell crack artillery outfit, Battery B.

All men should report promptly at Battery B headquarters, and they will be passed by the guards at the outer door by stating that they are to be examined for enlistment.

Battery B is an old Lowell outfit and it goes into the field very soon with the prospect of having an enjoyable tour of duty, ultimately being selected for service at the front in France or Belgium.

The Lowell battery is planning to give its friends a big dance before going into war service, and perhaps a vaudeville show at Keith's. The outfit is thorough and strict during the time that it remains in Lowell, it intends to make the most of its opportunities.

Young men who would like to go into the highest branch of the service—the field artillery—should enlist at once in Battery B. This gives the appearance of choice of service. If he is drafted he will go into whatever unit the government orders, and whatever it desires to send him, so it behoves him to get into this Lowell organization.

FRENCH WIN NAVAL ENGAGEMENT

PARIS. May 21.—French torpedo boats had an encounter early yesterday morning with a German battle, in which one of the French war vessels suffered some damage, though all returned to port. An official statement issued yesterday, reports the incident as follows:

Battle Report of Naval Battle

BERLIN. May 21, via London.—An engagement between German and French torpedo boats off the coast of Flanders is reported in an official announcement from the admiralty. The announcement says:

"On the morning of the 20th, off the coast of Flanders, a short outpost engagement took place between German and French torpedo boats. The enemy's boats were reportedly hit by our artillery and our vessels returned without losses or damage."

FRENCH SHIP ON WAY TO SALONIKI WHEN SUNK

PARIS. May 21.—The French steamer **Colbert**, which was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on April 29, was on her way to Saloniki when she was sunk. The ship was struck by a torpedo below the water line and the engine room was immediately flooded. There was no sign of a submarine as the ship began to sink rapidly by the stern. The crew promptly took up their stations but the bows cauted up at such an angle that it was almost impossible to lower the boats.

The **Colbert** sank in five minutes and after she had disappeared the submarine emerged and as in their custom her commander asked the name, description and designation of her victim. Before he could get his information a French patrol boat appeared and opened fire. After four shots had been fired the U-boat submerged just as a submarine appeared on the horizon.

The patrol boat was a trawler and gave valued assistance in rescuing the men from the **Colbert**. The **Colbert**'s first officer, **Rouille**, went down with the ship but was rescued. No sooner did he reach the trawler than he took a dory and went to the help of four men who were clinging to a capsized lifeboat. Second Officer **Gauthier**, one of the last to leave the ship was scarcely aboard the patrol when he noticed two soldiers drowning. He immediately dived and saved both.

LIBERTY LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS

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years from date, the bonds will run the full thirty years.

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RAISE AGE LIMIT FOR REGULAR ARMY

NEW YORK, May 21.—The age limit of applicants for enlistment in the regular army has been raised from 17 to 35 years to 18 to 40 years, according to an order made public at the offices of Maj. John F. Hughes, in charge of recruiting offices here.

FUNERAL NOTICES

CORRIEA—The funeral of the late Mrs. Roma Corriea will take place on Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, 3 Thompson court, off Nottingham street. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Anthony's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery, under direction of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

FOSTER—The funeral services of Mrs. Enoch W. Foster took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at her home in South Tewksbury. Rev. Sarah A. Dixon officiated. Appropriate selections were sung by Mrs. F. L. Roberts of Lowell. The bearers were Mrs. F. L. Farmer, William F. Lewis, Frank Carter and George Simpson. Burial was in the Tewksbury Centre cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers F. H. Farmer & Sons.

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DAIGLE—The funeral of Mrs. Anastasia Daigle will take place tomorrow morning at 7:30 o'clock from the home of her late son, Mrs. Henry McDonough, 7 Wilson street, North Billerica. Solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Anthony's church at 8:30 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

WRIGHT—The funeral of the late Mrs. Delia Knight will take place on Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons. High mass will be sung in St. Peter's church. Time to be announced later. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Son in charge.

MURRAY—The funeral of Thomas F. Murray will take place Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertakers Higgins Bros. on Lawrence street. Solemn high mass will be sung at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers Higgins Bros. in charge.

ODONOGHUE—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary A. O'Donoghue will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from her late home, 17 Grace street. A solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

RAMON—The funeral of the late Lucy Ramon will take place on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from her home, 30 Emory street. Services will be held at St. Anthony's church at 3:30 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery under charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

SAYARD—The funeral of Jean Baptiste Sayard will take place Tuesday morning from his home, 212 Middlesex street. A funeral mass will be sung at 7 o'clock at Notre Dame de Lourdes' church. The burial in St. Joseph's cemetery will be in charge of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

STURTEVANT—Died in this city, May 18th at 11:30 A.M. 19 Robins street, Mrs. E. Sturtevant, aged 73 years, 11 months and 16 days. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at his home, 19 Robins street, at 2 o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited to attend. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

DAIGLE—The funeral of Dorice Trudel will take place Tuesday morning from the home of the parents, 9 Grand street. Solemn high mass of requiem at Notre Dame de Lourdes' church. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker Napoleon Bloudeau.

FUNERALS

CLAYTON—The funeral of Alfred Clayton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clayton, was held from the home of his parents, 2 Harrison place, Saturday afternoon and, owing to the cause of death (diphtheria) was strictly private. Burial was in the Edson cemetery, where Rev. Walter Whitney read the committal service. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker George M. Eastman.

SMITH—The funeral of Mrs. Alice Smith took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from her home, 35 Lincoln street and proceeded to the Sacred Heart church, where services were held, Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I. officiating. The bearers were Michael J. McNamee, William Brien, George John and Henry Smith and Harry Lindell. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were recited by Rev. Mr. Fletcher. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John F. Rogers.

KELLEY—The funeral of Mrs. Annie Kelley took place this morning from her late home, 1415 Gorham street, at 2:30 o'clock and a solemn high mass was sung at the Sacred Heart church at 10 o'clock by Rev. Henry Burns, O.M.I., as celebrant, Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Charles Gallagher, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. The bearers were John Edward, Arthur and Daniel Kelley, sons of the deceased, Mr. Arthur Connolly and Mr. George McWilliams. The burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Henry Burns, O.M.I., read the final prayers. There was a profusion of beautiful offerings of floral pieces, among which were a white carnation and ribbon marked "Good Bye, Annie" from the husband; pillow with the inscription "Mother"; the family; pillow inscribed "Sister," from the brothers and sisters; and pieces from Mr. and Mrs. William Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. William Hayden and family, John H. Bell, Sr., of New York city, William Bell, Jr., of Albany, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lynch, George E. Bell, Jr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl St. John, and early night shift of electricians, E. S. Carson, also Co. shopmates, Slesia, shop No. 2, North Cheapside; Harold Wright, Mrs. Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. Christy Murphy, Miss Mary McCullough, Miss Helen Fenton, Miss Jennie Bartlett, Frank J. McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Rogers, Mrs. J. Miss Julia Kieran, Miss Catherine Kieran, Miss Mary Twohey, Miss Rose Dyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank

DAIGLE—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret (deceased) Bell took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from her home, rear 30 Kinsman street. At 3 o'clock services were conducted at the Sacred Heart church, Rev. Henry Burns, O.M.I., officiating. Among the floral offerings were: Large pillow inscribed "Mother" from the husband; pillow inscribed "Daughter from the father and mother"; "Daughter from the father and mother"; "Sister" from the brothers and sisters; and pieces from Mr. and Mrs. James Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. William Hayden and family, John H. Bell, Sr., of New York city, William Bell, Jr., of Albany, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lynch, George E. Bell, Jr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl St. John, and early night shift of electricians, E. S. Carson, also Co. shopmates, Slesia, shop No. 2, North Cheapside; Harold Wright, Mrs. Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. Christy Murphy, Miss Mary McCullough, Miss Helen Fenton, Miss Jennie Bartlett, Frank J. McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Rogers, Mrs. J. Miss Julia Kieran, Miss Catherine Kieran, Miss Mary Twohey, Miss Rose

STURTEVANT—Joseph F. Sturtevant, a well known resident of this city, died at his home, 19 Robins st. Saturday afternoon at the age of 74 years, 11 months and 16 days. He leaves, besides his wife, Lucretta C. Sturtevant, two daughters, Miss John Ferry and Miss Mabel, and Sturtevant's son, E. N. M. Sturtevant, and three grandchildren, all of this city. Mr. Sturtevant had been a resident of the city for the past 35 years.

CLOUDMAN—J. Dan Cloudman, at one time master mechanic of the Trenton & Suffolk mills in Lowell, died in Atlanta, Ga., May 14, aged 61 years. He had lived in Atlanta for a number of years, and was considered one of the leading textile engineering experts of the south. He represented the Iraher company of Honolulu in that territory. Mr. Cloudman was a member of Kilwinning Lodge of Masons and of Lowell council, No. 8, Royal Archm.

HENWELL—Miss Colina Benwell, aged 12 years, 11 months, daughter of Lawrence and Eva Benwell, died Friday evening at the Lowell hospital. She leaves besides her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Benwell, three sisters, Mrs. Josephine Gadbois of Fall River, and the Misses Margarette and Winona Brown of this city, and four brothers, Thomas, George, Arthur, Henry and Joseph Benwell of Lowell. The body was removed to the home, 4 Lawrence place, on Aiken street.

ODONOGHUE—The friends of Mrs. Mary A. O'Donoghue, wife of Denis O'Donoghue and an esteemed and devout attendant of St. Patrick's church, will be grieved to learn of her death which occurred Saturday night at her home, 65 Claire street, after an illness which she bore with true Christian fortitude. Her death, while not unexpected, will cast a gloom over the wide circle of friends, while the loss to those near and dear to her, the loss of an ideal Catholic mother, is irreparable. Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Miss Mary G. O'Donoghue of this city, Mrs. George W. Wilde of Concord, N. H., Mrs. Charles W. Perkins of South Tamworth, N. H., Miss

Dawson, Miss Esther Foudy, Miss Mae Gill, Mrs. James Egan, Mrs. Muldowny, Joseph Dugan, Raymond Custer, Mrs. McKeary, Mrs. and Mrs. Henry McElhan, James McNally, James Foster, Mrs. E. Chase, Mrs. and Mrs. A. Fosberg, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gallagher, Harrington family, Mr. and Mrs. O'Hare, Miss Nora Buckley, the McClure family, and spiritual bouquets from Mr. and Mrs. George McWilliams, Mrs. Mary Connolly, girls of the velvet curtain room, the Misses Finnegan, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Mary Dowsey, Mr. and Mrs. James O'Gorman, Mrs. P. Neary, Miss Julia Smith, Mrs. Catherine McWilliams, Miss Mary Boyle, Miss Helen Taft, Mrs. Margaret Kelly and family, Mrs. A. Carragher, Mr. Lotti, Italo, Samuel Parlee, Mrs. Fred Lyons, Mrs. G. Brooks, Mrs. Michael Stone, Michael Leavitt and Mrs. H. Welsh.

The bearers were Messrs. Harry Wright, Joseph Dugan, Raymond Custer, Stephen Lynch, William Coto and James Foster. The ushers at the church were Messrs. Michael Massing, Walter, Walter, Fred Goldblum, and Mrs. Joseph Lyons. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were recited at the grave by Rev. Fr. Burns, O.M.I. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

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WRIGHT—The funeral services of Mrs. Alice Wright were held at her home, 17 Grace street, Saturday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Charles T. Bellinger, pastor of the Unitarian church at Belmont. Appropriate selections were sung by Mr. George H. Spaulding and Mrs. Xano M. Lodge. The bearers were Messrs. Frank M. McKay, Alonso E. Kidder, Ralph W. Conant and Burton Wright. Burial was in the family lot in Littleton. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Francis D. Dunn under the direction of Undertaker George W. Healey.

FLING—The funeral services of Mrs. Anna E. Fling were held at her home, 23 Follen street, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Arthur G. Lyon, pastor of the Pawtucket Congregational church. The bearers were Messrs. George E. Sawtelle, Frederick L. Soule, Harry Sargent and Leonard Sargent. Burial was in the family lot in Edson cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

EMOND—The funeral services of Mrs. Anna E. Fling were held at her home, 23 Follen street, yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Arthur G. Lyon, pastor of the Pawtucket Congregational church. The bearers were Messrs. Frank M. McKay, Alonso E. Kidder, Ralph W. Conant and Burton Wright. Burial was in the family lot in Littleton. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Francis D. Dunn under the direction of Undertaker George W. Healey.

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WILSON WANTS NO FREMONT

President Wilson has confounded his critics by ordering an army to France under General Pershing. That will bring the Stars and Stripes to the battle line in France sooner than was expected. It will be an inspiration to the soldiers of the Allies who have been fighting in a terrible battle during the past two months. The Germans are being driven back and the desirable thing to do is to keep them going until they are driven from the soil of France. Then the cry will be, "On to Berlin."

The Allies will never perpetrate the ruthless destruction on conquered territory so venefully carried out by the Germans in their retreat; but when the time comes, they will bring home to Germany what her special brand of war means. The 40,000 American soldiers who are to go to France forthwith are the flower of our army and they will be followed by larger units just as soon as these can be got ready.

In this connection President Wilson made a statement explaining why he did not accept the provision of the law giving him the authority to permit Col. Roosevelt raise a volunteer force. It is a statement which well sustains his position and which every sensible citizen must admit is absolutely correct. While praising Col. Roosevelt for gallantry, vigor and enthusiasm, he holds that to raise a volunteer force at a time a draft for the entire country was called for, would cause confusion that might bring serious consequences.

"The business now in hand," said the president, "is un-dramatic, practical and of scientific definiteness and precision. I shall act with regard to it at every step and in every particular under expert and professional advice from both sides of the water." That advice sought and obtained by President Wilson has been against the form of sideshow proposed by Col. Roosevelt.

We have already expressed our views in these columns in reference to the Roosevelt proposition. It might be all right if Roosevelt were a trained soldier instead of an ex-president who thinks he is competent to command troops. He could not be held to military discipline and owing to his proneness his presence on the battlefields of France would be embarrassing even to the commanders of the Allied armies. They would feel it a rather delicate matter to order Roosevelt to do things to which he might object. There is no time to consult in such cases. There is no need to consult or explain why an order is given to a subordinate. But Roosevelt would have to get an explanation with every order. Such a man would hamper the free action of the troops. He would do harm instead of good.

President Wilson is to be congratulated upon turning down the Roosevelt proposition in a manner that should silence criticism. The degree of fitness displayed by the president in the discharge of his duty in this matter, is characteristic of the man; but, nevertheless, it will be met with harsh and vehement criticism, not only by Roosevelt himself, but by every diminutive Lord Northcliffe, such as the editor of the Boston Herald, who while charging incompetency of certain cabinet members, has been shouting also in favor of putting Col. Roosevelt at the head of an expeditionary force in France.

Fortunately, President Wilson is pursuing a more reliable policy, which the following paragraph from his statement relative to Roosevelt will show:

"The first troops sent to France will be taken from the present forces of the regular army and will be under the command of trained soldiers only."

The responsibility for the successful conduct of our own part in this great war rests upon me. I could not escape it if I would. I am too much interested in the cause we are fighting for to be interested in anything but success. The issues involved are too immense for me to take into consideration anything whatever except the best, most effective, most immediate means of military action."

"What these means are, I know from the mouths of men who have seen war as it is now conducted, who have no illusion and to whom the whole grim matter is a matter of business. I shall centre my attention upon these means and let every thing else wait."

"I should be deeply to blame should I do otherwise, whatever the amount of paper it is a personal criticism of advantage."

In the Civil War there was a case most identical with that of Roosevelt. In the present instance and one that was equally embarrassing to the administration, John C. Fremont had been nominated by the republicans against Buchanan in 1856 and defeated, but he became popular through an expedition to California in which he seized Monterey. He was sent to explore the Rocky Mountain region and won the title of "Pathfinder." When the war started the people thought Fremont a bigger man than Lincoln and such enormous pressure was brought to bear on the president to place him in command that the Mountain Department in West Virginia was created for him. In assigning him to command President Lincoln wrote a letter to General McClellan, saying:

Seen and Heard

The moving finger writes; and having writ,
Moves on: Nor all your plenty nor wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line.
Nor all your tears wash out a word
of it."

Saxophone—Wife Guy

Laughter is often the mother of invention, and it makes a Saugus man to prove it. It seems that wife had several rugs to be cleaned during her absence. Cleaning rugs is hard work and so busily occupied them to the stern of his motor boat, rowing them up and down the river for several hours. Afterwards he arose from on the sand with his wife was surprised and pleased at the appearance of the rugs. Wife Mr. Sargent, resident just ended and said nothing.

Yours very truly

A. Lincoln.

Fremont was but a few weeks in command when the administration had to send 40,000 men to save him and his force from annihilation. This historic parallel, it would seem, should convince every reasonable citizen that in turning down the Roosevelt proposition, President Wilson adopted the right course. Had he done otherwise, he would have been untrue to the great responsibility he bears as commander in chief; he would have placed the reputation of our army in jeopardy and he would thus have proved himself deserving of the rasping criticism hurled at him by the hordes of critics who have been trying to have Roosevelt selected as a sort of spectacular sideshow which under the new conditions of warfare might be attended with disastrous consequences. This is no war for amateurs. It would be criminal to send a body of troops to France under any other than a well-trained, experienced and competent commander.

STAGGERING LOSSES IN WAR

That is a staggering statement made by Arthur Henderson, member of the British war council, to the effect that in the war thus far 7,000,000 lives have been lost, while the total casualties have been over 45,000,000. These figures may seem extravagant but there is no doubt that the losses and casualties have been very much greater than reported. In these totals, of course, are included the vast number of prisoners held by the various belligerents. The prisoners in Germany are undergoing fearful tortures.

If the women and children and other non-combatants who have been driven from their homes and either starved or hounded to death, be counted, the number would certainly exceed the totals given by Mr. Henderson. In Poland all the children under seven years of age died from privation and other causes early in the war, while in Belgium, Syria and Armenia, vast numbers have died from starvation or other causes resulting from the war. The German deportations also caused many deaths. Should all the losses and casualties of non-combatants be considered they would swell the list to totals even more appalling than those of Mr. Henderson.

If this be so then it may be asked why continue the war?

The cause for which the Allies entered the war is still in the balance and to stop now would leave the issue undecided, with Germany possessed of the power to dominate the world, and to cause other wars as costly as the present. Better fight it out now and have world peace with an end of militarism and autocratic rule which have too long cursed the earth.

GET A LIBERTY BOND

To those who can afford it, the purchase of a Liberty bond is a patriotic duty. The appeal is made to the people. The response will indicate to what extent the people are ready to support the government in the prosecution of the war. The conditions under which the bonds can be secured are made plain to everyone through the press. The amount will be required next month and when the time comes, if the \$2,000,000,000 required is not subscribed, the government will be placed in a most embarrassing light before the world.

Bonds are offered on easy terms for the issuance of these bonds and some corporations are similarly aiding their employees to secure the bonds. Money can be well invested in these bonds. Few banks pay more than 5% per cent and the security offered is the United States government and all its resources, that which there is none better. The man who can invest \$100, \$200 or \$500 in a Liberty bond will be making a good investment and at the same time aiding the government.

SELF CENSORED PRESS

The self-censored newspaper in this country may not publish anything that will criticize the government in the conduct of the war or visa and/or do a favor to the enemy. There have been many proofs of the truth of this statement since the opening of the war.

The recent newspaper writer who tried to betray the confidence of his audience, much to that of the press, was a traitor to his country. The fact that he did not publish the secret of his treason is a fact to do so would offer to the enemy a piece of information which should be shielded as a government secret. They knew other government secrets of a similar nature of which they are keeping silent.

Such papers, no censorship is not the case in different countries.

cook at a summer boarding house. He had cows, hens, a turkey, a pig, a ham, a pan, a beaker and what not. He worked them all on every occasion. At the party, one of the young men thought the trap drummer was going to sleep on the job and sending out for a revolver handed it to the drummer. The next dance was a waltz, but the "pop" producer still kept busy and put a finishing touch to his efforts with a sudden explosion of the firearm. It was a finishing touch all right, for several women fainted and had to be carried from the hall, which put a sudden ending to the dancing party.

would permit further progress in any direction.

"I was late in the afternoon before he could explain, and when I arranged it was at once clear that such a thing could really happen only once or twice in a lifetime. The idea came to him that he had decided early that in honor of the French commission he would drink a single drink of the national beverage—absinthe, the absinthe. It appears that he drinks—after the ceremony of inhaling them had been completed—he began quarreling among themselves."

"A very foolish patriotic demonstration," continued the count.

"Very foolish, very foolish," granted Mr. Haslett. "We may all live."

And after a short silence again, with right hand raised, Mr. Haslett went out into the air.

Lecture on Journalism
"See here," snapped the city editor to the cub reporter, "you've crammed this ordinary notice full of flowery compliments."

"But I thought—
"That's man didn't die in jail, did he?"

"No, sir."
"And he wasn't shot down in a running battle with the police?"

"Of course not, sir."
"Well, when a citizen dies a natural death in jail, the public takes it for granted that he had his good points!"—Exchange.

A Chip on His Shoulder
in a town adjoining Brockton a patriotic citizen has raised a handsome new flag. On Saturday it was spent most of the forenoon adjusting the banner on the staff of the very latest point of the staff. While he was so occupied he was met by a neighbor who said the day earlier and made some remarks in an attempt to win his companion.

"What do you want to put it away up there for?" he called to the patriotic worker. "The wind will whip it all to pieces."

The citizen looked down belligerently at his neighbor and retorted: "Well, by golly, the wind is the only thing that can whip it!"—Brockton Enterprise.

Too Much Musical Ginger
This is the day of "snap" in orchestra work and it is up to the trap drummer to instill the ginger. While a little ragtime stuff is looked for, the cynical banner should not carry it too far. Like the trap drummer at a recent dance party in West Hanover court in New York the other day, accused of making an effort to secret more liquor within his identity than

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COL. ROOSEVELT DISBANDS ARMY

Denies Offer Was Either For Dramatic or Political Effect

Claims Credit for Sending Pershing to the Battle Front

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., May 21.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt announced last night that all men who had volunteered to serve with him under the American flag in France had been absolved from all further connection with the movement, and that the only course open to them now is to enter the military service in some other way, if they are able to do so, and if not to serve the country in civil life.

"All American citizens," said Col. Roosevelt, in a formal statement, "will loyally obey the decision of the commander-in-chief of the American army and navy. The men who have volunteered will now consider themselves absolved from all further connection with this movement. The funds that have been promised will be treated as withdrawn and applied to other purposes. I therefore direct that this statement be sent to the leaders in the various states who have been raising troops."

Decided to Disband

Col. Roosevelt said that after conferences personally or by wire with some of the men who had volunteered to raise units, regiments and battalions, it had been decided unanimously that the only course open was to disband in view of the decision of the president not to permit the organization of the divisions authorized by Congress.

"Our sole aim," the statement continued, "is to help in every way in the successful prosecution of the war, and we most heartily desire that no individual's personal interest should for one moment be considered, save as it serves the general public interest."

"We rejoice that a division composed of our fine regular soldiers and marines

under so gallant and efficient a leader as Gen. Pershing is to be sent abroad. We have a right to a certain satisfaction in connection therewith."

The statement then added a newspaper report to the effect that the decision to send Gen. Pershing was a compromise between the original plans of the general staff, which favored no early expedition and the request of Col. Roosevelt for "money for an immediate expedition" drawing the conclusion that "thereby will get American soldiers in the trenches at once" although Col. Roosevelt will not lead them.

"If this gives the explanation of the matter," Col. Roosevelt added, "I greatly say we are all unsilently pleased to have served this use, although we regret not to have been allowed ourselves to render active service."

On Firing Line by Sept. 1

Col. Roosevelt declared that had his offer been accepted, all ten of his proposed divisions would have sailed and two would have been on the firing line by Sept. 1, "the time at which the secretary of war has announced that the assembly of the selective draft army is to begin."

"I wish," said Col. Roosevelt, "respectfully to point out certain errors in the statement the president has been led in his announcement. He states that the purpose was to give me an independent command." In my last letter to the secretary of war I explicitly stated that if I were given permission to raise an army composed of two divisions, I would put the command of some general like Wood, Pershing, Harry or Keith, I desired for myself only the position of junior among the eight brigade commanders. I would not have been independent. I would have been in precisely the position of all the other brigade commanders, except that I would have ranked after and been subordinate to the rest of them.

Dentist Playing Politics

The president alludes to our proposed action as one that would have an effect "politically," but not contributing to the success of the war, and so representing a "policy of personal gratification or advantage." I wish respectfully, but emphatically, to point out that our political considerations whatever or any desire for personal gratification or advantage, entered into our calculations. Our undivided "purpose was to contribute effectively to the success of the war. I know nothing whatever of the politics of the immense majority of men who came forward, and those whose politics I do know include as many democrats as republicans. My purpose was to enable the government to use as invaluable men who would not be reached under the selective draft who were fit for immediate service, and the great majority of whom would not otherwise be used at all.

Officers Played His Game

"The president," added Col. Roosevelt, "says in effect that to comply with our offer would be dishonorable from the military standpoint, and he adds that the regular officers whom he has asked to have associated with me are 'some of the most effective officers of the regular army who cannot possibly be spared from the duty of commanding regular troops.' One of the chief 'qualifications' for a military command is to choose for one's associates and subordinates 'the most effective officers' and this 'qualification' the president has said that he would be compelled to withdraw them from the military corps, and necessary duty of training the troops, I wish to point out that I have asked for about 50 regular officers from the tenente general to second the command for the first division. This would be only one-tenth of the number who would go with Gen. Pershing's division, which the president announced to be composed exclusively of regulars."

"The recent plan will take from 10 to 12 months as many regular officers as would have been taken under our proposal. It has been stated that our regular officers are opposed to our plan. As a matter of fact, the most effective officers have been engaged to be used with or to have charge of the troops we proposed to raise."

Nothing Dramatic in Offer

"The president condones our proposal on the ground that 'unfortunate' action is needed action that is practical and of scientific definiteness and precision."

"There was nothing 'unfortunate' in our proposal, gave as the principals indicating 'courage' or 'willingness to sacrifice life for an idea,' are dramatic. It is true that our division would have contained the sons and grandsons of men who in the Civil War were the pride of the Army; for instance,

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